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THE YARN INDUSTRY IN SUFFOLK.

Mr. H. T. Baker of Burkitt House, Sudbury, Suffolk, has an engraving which he had printed off from the original plate formerly in his possession. It represents a man standing behind a counter, above which hang a pair of balances. He is engaged in weighing the yarn which two women have apparently just brought in. It is signed, "S. Nicholls, delin. et sculp.," and is of eighteenth-century date. Beneath the picture is engraved the following. The whole plate measures 6 ins. × 7 ins.

G. MONTAGU BENTON.

Bishops' College, Cheshunt.

Orders and Rules to be Observed by those who Spin for John Burkitt and Comp^a.

You are to Reele on a full Yard-reele and reele Eighty Threads in a knot and put three Double Knots and one Single one in a Skaine, and if at any time your yarn is found to be reel'd false you are to forfeit all the yarn you bring at that time.

You must not reele two or more Spinners yarn in one Skaine, but each Spinners must be reel'd by it self, And if at any time you are found to have mixed two or more Spinners in one Skaine you must forfeit one penny for every pound you bring at that time over and above the common allowance.

You must make your yarn very even, twist it well, and keep it clean.

If at any time you have any yellow wool you must take care you don't mix it with what is whiteer, but must Spin and reele it by its Self, neither must you mix the yarn of fine and ordinary wool together.

You must not turn your knots on the reele above once, and must not tye them up with Hemp or flaxen thread, but with the yarn you Spin.

You must bring all your wool Spun into yarn every time you come (if Possible), but if you leave any at home it must be an even pound or pounds that so there may be no mistake made by bringing or leaving any less quantity than Pounds.

N.B.—By a late Act of Parliament all Spinners of Jersey* who shall detaine, damnify, or Spoile any work committed to their care, or quit or returne the same before its finished, are to forfeit double the value of the work so detained, spoiled or returned to the Master, or be committed to the House of Correction for three months.

^{*} The finest of the wool, separated from the rest by combing .- ED.

EAST ANGLIAN BRIEFS FROM THE REGISTER OF ST. MARGARET'S, WESTMINSTER, 1644—1793.

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1720.	· (concluded from p. 287).	£.	8.	d.
Feb. 26.	Swaveley * in com. Cantabr. Loss by Fire			
1723.	1755 and upwards	-	15	21
March 8.	Cherry Hinton in com. Cambridge. Loss			-4
1724.	by ffire, £1045. 16s. and upwards	_	14	9
May 17.	Holt Market church in Norfolk. Charge,		1.1	9
May 17.			7	7
T1- 00	£1229 and upwards	. 1	8	6
July 26.				
	com. Stafford and Norfolk. Loss by			-
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Nov. 24.				
	bridge and Wilts. Loss by fire, £106	7		
1726.	and upwards	. 1	0	0
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1727.	Norfolk and Bucks	. 1	0	0
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	and Chester. Loss by Fire, £1100 and	d		
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April 14.	Great Wilbraham in com. Cambridge	j.		
1729.	Loss by fire, 14261 and upwards	. 0	14	6
June 22.	Rickinghall and Botesdale in com. Suffolk			
	Loss by Fire, 2210 and upwards	. 1	0	5
Sept. 21.	Fulborne in com. Cambridge. Loss by fire	,		
1731.	1028 and upwards	. 0	9	0
Nov. 19.	Misley alias Mistley Church in com. Essex			
1734.	Charge, 1742 and upwards .	. 0	12	11
May 30.		. 0	13	43
Dec. 12.		. 0	13	$2\frac{1}{2}$
1735.				-
July 3.	Cottenham	. 0	14	6
Nov. 14.	Barnwell (house to house) .	. 10	8	3
1737.	,			
	Swaffham ‡	. 0	18	13
1739.				4
	Royston	. 0	12	2
	Royston	. 0	11	8
1741.				
May 21.	Cromer	. 0	4	4
1742.				
	Hinxton [Cambs.]	. 0	9	1
	foulnes [Fowlnes, Essex]	. 7	18	6
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^{*} Swavesey. † Castle Camps. ‡ Swaffham Prior, Cambe.-ED.

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1753.				d.
1758.	Shellow Bowells church (house to house) .	4	14	2
Feb. 28.	St. Peter's church in Colchester (house to			
1761.		3	1	5
March 27.	Stokeferry church [Norfolk?]	0	12	3
Dec. 17.	Haddenham Fire (house to house)			
1774.	[Cambs.?]*	4	7	11
June 13.	St. Peter's Church in com. Cambridge.			
1775.	Charge, £1000 and upwards	0	7	9
July 12.				
	£1560. 13s. 7d. (house to house) .	4	15	1
	A			
	in com. Essex. Charge, £1600 (house to			
1781.		3	6	0
	Palling Fire in com. Norfolk. Damage,			
1783.		1	0	1
	Epping Chapel in com. Essex. Charge,		-	
	£1498. 19s. 6d. (house to house) .	5	0	6

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COLEMAN'S CAMBRIDGESHIRE DEEDS. No. IV.

(continued from p. 282).

1722. Probate copy of the will of John Angood of Haddenham, in the Isle of Ely and County of Cambridge, Blacksmith, being sick. To Sarah my wife, all and singler my Houshold Goods and Silver Spoons, being in my House at Haddenham wherin I now dwell, except four pewter Dishes and twelve pewter plates, One great washing Tubb, One great Table in the parlour, One ffeather Bed, Beding, Blanketts and Coverlett thereunto belonging in the Chamber over the Parlour, and I give and devise the sd Bedding, Bed, Blanketts and Coverlett to Richard Seers, now living with me as a Servt, and also I give and devise unto the sd Richd Seers my Anvill and all other my Smiths working Tooles belonging to and now being in my Smyths Shop upon this condicon that he shall pay to my Exec' herein after named within Twelve months after my decease the full sume of seven pounds of good and lawfull money of Great Britain. I give and devise my great Table in the parlour to my kinsman, John Angood, of Somersham. I give and devise unto my Brother, William Angood, my great Mashing Tubb, my balt Mare, a pair of Bootes, and a pair of Silver Spurs; and I give and devise to my sister, ffrances Stevens, the Sume of Six pounds to be paid her within three months after my decease towards the putting out of her Son, William Stevens, to be an apprentice. I also give and devise to my said Sister Stevens, four pewter Dishes and ten pewter plates. All the rest of my Goods,

^{*} Bewes gives this as Bucks.-ED.

Chattells, Cattell, Creditts, and psonall Estate w'soev herein by me not disposed of, I give and devise unto my very good ffriends Thomas Towerson of Haddenham in the County of Cambr, Grocer, Robert Chapman of Haddenham afores, Gent., and Thomas Okey of Hillrow in the pish of Haddenham afores, Gent., and to the Survive of them, their Execra and admina, and I do hereby no ate. constitute, and appoint the sd Thomas Towerson, Robert Chapman, and Thomas Okey, Exec" of this my Last Will and testament. To this intent and purpose and under this trust and confidence only, that they the sd Thomas Towerson, Robert Chapman, and Thomas Okey and the Survivors of them, their Exect, and Admin's shall sell and dispose of All the rest and residue of my goods, Chattles and psonall Estate w'soev to the best advantage they can make of the same, and shall put out and dispose of the money arising out of my sd goods, Chattels, and psonall Estate at Intest upon the best Securities they can gett for the same, And shall well and truly pay the Intest and produce thereof together with the principle money to the sevall psons herein after pticularly named at the times herein likewise pticularly menconed (that is to say) unto Sarah my wife the Sume of four pounds yearly and evy year for and during the Term of her nrall Life by two equall payments, the first paymt to begin at the End of Six Months next after my decease, and at the end of Six Months next after the decease of the sd Sarah my wife shall pay unto my Kinsman, John Angood of Somersham, the Sume of Twelve pounds. To my Kinswoman, Elizabeth Angood, Ten pounds. To my Kinsman, William Stevens, Ten Pounds. To my Kinswoman, Sarah Stevens, Ten Pounds. To my Kinswoman, Mary Stevens, Ten Pounds. To my Kinsman, John Sears of London, Blacksmith, Ten Pounds. To my Kinsman, Richard Seares, Blacksmith, Ten Pounds. (Expenses of executors to be paid out of the estate). I also give and devise unto my god-daughter, Ann Gooday, one Ewe Hoggett, and I do hereby revoke and adnull all former and other Wills at any time by me heretofore made. In witness wherof I have hereunto Sett my Hand and Seale this seaventh day of May, 1722. Richd Page, Thos. Huckett, Thos. Webb, witnesses.

1668. Probate copy of will of Mr. Thomas Castell. Dated Nov. 4. Proved 8 May, 1669. To be buried in Haddenham church. To wife, freehold house in H., with close and orchard adjoining, 61 acres of arable land and meadow in H. end, and sheep walk, now in occupation of Clement Porter, for her life, and after her death to son Thos. A close called Hope row close, or more or less commonly Church Croft, of nine acres, to be sold by exec. and £100 to be paid to Tho. Drury, Esq. To the children of Towers Castle, when this money is paid to Mr. Drury and the house redeemed, I give the said house, now the Globe, formerly the Chequers, and the marsh ground belonging, and a sheep walk, equally to be divided after the death of Towers Castle and Margarett his wife. To son Benjamin, my brick house, with all the profits and marsh ground belonging, with the yard formerly called the bowling alley, with the barnes, stables, and 2 acres in Hillrow field. To him also my new

house called Brock Hall and 51 acres of fenning joining it. My dairy house by Gall fen, with 30 acres of pasture with the orchard. He earnestly desires Benjamin every year during the life of his mother, Elizabeth, to bring into her yard 2 loads of faggots or billets. To wife, 8 acres of Hill Dole for her life. Sons, Thos. and Benjamin, executors.

1652. March 11. Humberston March, his son and h. app' William March, Martin Folkes, clerk, and Thos. Baron, gent., of Walden, grant to James E. of Suffolk, Lord of Manor of Haddenham, certain rights of Pasturage thereon in Ewell Fenns. Signatures.

1652. Oct. 30. Humberston March of Thetford (Ely), s. and h. of Robert March, late of Haddenham, and William March, s. and h. ap. of H. March, sell to Martin Foulkes,* elerk of H. for £2000, the Lordship of Grayes in Haddenham with all appurtenances in H. and Wentworth, also the lands bought by H. March of Thos. Phipers in H. containing 10 acres, also ten other messuages bought by H. M., now or late in the occupation of Robert Ingram, Thos. Newell, W^m Rogers, Thos. Chapman, Edward Walby, Richard Papworth, John Girdler, John Kindersley, sen. and jun., Rich. Annyble, also one piece of Marsh ground called Midfitters, and a pasture called Stocking close.

1610. May 24. Richard and Andrew Holdippe of Ashe in co. Southampton, of one part; and Edward Dod of Little Canfield, Essex, of the other part. Two parts of the manor of Hinxton into 5 parts divided, and all mess', etc., belonging. Holdippe appoints Henry Twiford, gent., and Arthur Housden, yeoman, their Attorneys for delivery of seisin to Dod.

1722. Probate copy of will of Francis Howard of C. Hinton. House to sons Francis and Thomas, several closes and pieces of land. To son Henry, £150; to John, £100; drs Ann and Ellen, £50 each. To dr Ann, the bed she lies on and all her mother's child bedde linnen. To dr Ellen, her own bed.

1595. Sept. 30. John Royston of Landebeche, Cambs., yeoman, in consideration of £200 paid into his hands by Henry Clifford, junior, son of Henry Clifford, Rector of Landbeach, sells to him his messuage or tenement, lately Thurlowes, but now in the tenure of John himself, with the little grove and croft adjoining, with all the buildings, etc., situated in Landbeach between the tenement and grove of John Phipers, N., and the customary land of Corpus Christi College, S., the W. headland abutting on the highway, the E. on Banworthe ditch. Also 15 acres 3 roods of arable and 4 acres and 3 roods of meadow in the fields of Landbeach and Milton. Of which three roods lie in Banworth field, between the land of Bray's manor on each side; half an acre lies in the Buts in the same field, and is the last of the furlong; 1½ acres in Sickmans hill adjoining Banworthe meadow ditch; 1½ roods called Hames furlong; 3 roods in Milnefield; 1 rood

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^{*} Martin Foulkes had been Curate to the Archdeacon, the sinecure Rector, since 1629.

in Milnefield; 1 rood in Horselond furlong; one acre in the same field by the Cambridge Road; 2 acres in Blackland furlong; 3 roods in Dunstall field in Redeland; 1 acre in Rynnells; two selions in Seach bowefield, Barlydole furlong; $1\frac{1}{2}$ roods in Vanedill hedlonde, 1 rood in Dockdale; three acres in Milton fields; 3 selions of meadow in Banworth Meadow; $1\frac{1}{2}$ acres of meadow in Lamys furlonge; $\frac{1}{2}$ acre in Lusshey furlong; 3 roods in Frithfenn of Landbeach. Henry Clifford,* senior, to have the property for his life, afterwards to H. C., junior, his heirs and assigns.

CATHARINE PARSONS.

W M D.

(To be continued).

W. M. PALMER.

RECORDS OF THE COURT OF STAR CHAMBER. SUFFOLK, temp. HENRY VIII. No. IV.

(concluded from p. 272).

Plaintiff and Defendant.

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Robt. Brett, Thos. Tyce, and Wm. Maace, v. John, Abbot of Bury St. Edmund's

Wm. Luther v. John Harman, Rich.
Baron, Robt. Baron, Robt.
Howlett, Henry Brooke, Robt.
Byrde, Wm. Abraham, Wm.
Cuttyng, and others

Thos. Gandie v. Thos. Weche and others

..... v. Robt. Stanton and others

Thos. Fuller v. Rich. Wharton

Robt. Sheppard v. Wm. Duncon

Wm. Gylbard v. Wm. Danyell, Robt. Danyell, and others

Wm. Alyne and Isabel his wife v. Thos. Symond, Robt. Page, Thos. Nicholl, John Mathewe, Roger Tymworthe, Wm. Ellys, and Thos. Boldyng

Wm. Luther v. John Harman

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lessuage and lands in Bawdesey. Bdle. 26, No. 204 (1530-31).

False imprisonment. Bdle.26, No. 220.

Assault. Bdle. 26, No. 264 (1535-36).

A warren in Shotford Heath. Bdle. 26, No. 274.

Goods and chattels of Wm. Wade of Stradbroke, felon of himself. Bdle.26, No. 289.

Trespass of cattle. Bdle. 26, No. 307.

Two tenements and land in the manor of Mendlesham. Bdle. 26, No. 349.

Assault at Clare. Bdle. 26, No. 365.

Four acres of arable land at Icklingham. Bdle. 26, No. 398 (1543-44).

Lands and tenements in Tunstall and Wantesden. Bdle. 26, No. 408.

^{*} Henry Clifford, senior, was rector, 1570-1616.

Thos. Poley v. Thos. Larke

Ryches Fuller and others v. Richard Wharton

Wm. Luter v. Richard Baron, Robt. A distress. Bdle. 26, No. 478. Baron, and others

ADDENDA.

Sir Robert Curson and Anne his wife v. Sir Robert Clere and William

Thomas Smyth v. Thomas Mannyng, Prior of Butley

John Richers v. Richard Warton .

Richard Wharton v. Thomas Fuller and others

Richard Wharton v. Thomas Fuller, Wm. Dowsyng, and others

Philip Southall v. Richard Wharton .

Philip Southall v. John Gyrlyng and others

John Rychars v. Richard Wharton

William Dowsyng v. Richard Wharton A meadow. Bdle. 24, No. 344.

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SOME SUFFOLK CHURCH NOTES. No. LXXVII.

(continued from p. 280).

HASKETON.

Hasketon Church (St. Andrew) is a small building with chancel, having vestry to the north, nave, south porch, and a west tower, round at the base and octagonal in its upper stages, a style uncommon in this part of Suffolk. The building is mainly of Decorated work, but in the south wall are the built-up remains of a Norman window, and there are also one or two of Perpendicular date. The roof is partly ceiled, and is supported by three tie-beams stretching across the nave. On the north side is a blocked-up doorway, and the entrance to the roodloft staircase in the same wall is also blocked. Five bells hang in the steeple, reached by a ladder in lieu of staircase. There is an empty niche over the chancel arch. In a Perpendicular window on south side of the chancel are a few bits of old glass with this shield in its head: (Arg.) a lion rampant double-tailed (Gu.)in this representation the creature faces to sinister—the ancient bearings of the Brewse family. The font, in excellent preservation, is of the common eight-sided type, having sunk panels on its sides, four of which contain roses set in leaves, while the alternate spaces display angelic figures, two feathered and two vested in alb and amice, which bear these shields in their hands.

1. (Az.) a lion rampant double-tailed (Or), crowned (Gu.) with

an orle of crosslets (here shown as semée) of the second, Brewse. 2. Brewse, impaling (Sa.) a cross engrailed (Or), Ufford.

3. Brewse, impaling (Arg.) a chevron (Gu.) between three crosslets fitchée (Az.), Shardelowe.

4. Brewse, impaling (Arg.) a lion rampant (Sa.), Stapleton. The font stands on a panelled shaft with empty pedestals at the corners. It was probably given by Sir Robert Brewse, who married the daughter of Sir Miles Stapleton of Ingham, Norfolk, dying in (Blomefield, quoted in East Anglian, September, 1889).

Upon a slab in the centre of the chancel is the earliest inscription

in the church, in Roman capitals:-

Hic iacet Gvliel. Farrer | qvoda rector hvivs Ec- | -clesiæ, qvi

obiit Avg. 24 | 1637.

A tablet in the south wall is placed to a son of the above. Upon it are carved a cherub head above, and a skull and crossed bones below this inscription, in Roman capitals:-

Here lies his kindred's hopes, his Parents ioy, | A man in manners, though in yeares a boy. | William Farrer | sonne of William Farrer Parson | of this parish & Elizabeth his wife | was byried the 28th of Ivly Anno | Dni 1635 Aged 15 yeares. | If on his yeares you looke, hee dy'd but younge. | If on his vertues, then he lived long.

Upon a tablet in the nave north wall are five shields of arms; that in the centre above the inscription is thus charged: -Quarterly, 1st, Goodwyn; 2nd (Az.) three swords erect and reversed in fess (Arg.) handled (Or), -; 3rd, Edgar; 4th (Gu.) a chevron barry (Arg. and Sa.), ---. This shield is carved and coloured; the other four, two above and two below the inscription (in Roman capitals), carry the charges of these quarters separately, emblazoned on a flat surface :-

Here Resteth the Body of Will. Goodwyn | Esqr late of this Towne he was bern March | the 16th 1611 & died March the 20th 1663-4. (sic) | In Memory of | Will. Goodwyn his eldest Son, Marchant | who was born Jan. 15th 1639, & died in | Smyrna Avgvst the 16th 1664. | In Memory also of | Robert Goodwyn his third Son who | was born the 13th May 1646, & died in | Smyrna September

the 20th 1665 |

A large marble ledger-stone on south side of the chancel is now partly hidden by flooring, inscribed in Roman capitals:-

> Here Lyeth the Body of Margery the Wiffe of W^m Goodwin, Esq^r Who dyed Ian. 23. 1694 aged 77.

No one dieth more willingly then thay y' live most honestly. Here Resteth the body of William Goodwin Esq who departed this life ye 20th day of March Anno Dom. 1663 Ætatis svæ 53.

Upon a large marble in the nave floor opposite the south door is incised: Per pale a lion passant; a crescent in dexter

chief; and below is engraven :-

Here lyeth interred y° body of Nathaniel | Atherold Gent. y° Son of Tho. Atherold | of Burgh oulforden & Mary his wife | who departed this life the 7th of Octo. | Ann° 1653 in the 63⁴ yeare of his Age. | Also here lyeth Sarah the Daughter | of the abouesayd Nathaniel & Martha | his wife who departed this life the 6th | of March Anno 1666 in the 28th yeare | of her Age.

The same coat is repeated on a slab lying parallel to the last, and

inscribed :-

Here Resteth the Body of | Martha the wife of Nathaniell | Atherold she was buryed | the 9th of October An. Dom. 1678 | Aged 83. | Mary the Davghter of Nathaniel | Atherold was bvryed the 17th | of November An. Dom. 1685 | Aged 70.

It is noticeable that many of the inscriptions at that date give the date of burial rather than of death. On this stone the crescent

is represented as if borne on a canton.

A lapse of 100 years occurs before the next monument appears,

which is an oval black marble tablet on chancel north wall :-

In memory of | the Rev⁴ | John Freeland | late rector of this parish | who was buried Sep^{br} 4th 1805 | aged 37 years. | Also Frances his wife | who was buried June 3^d 1799 | aged 33 | years. Also Harriet their dau^r who was | buried Nov^{br} 11th 1795 aged 6 years. | Also Will^m their son an infant, | who was buried March 16th 1797. | In the same vault | are deposited | John Titus and Caroline Freeland | children of the above, | who died | the former Nov^r 3^d 1812, aged 19 years, | the latter April 11th 1813 aged 20 years.

On the opposite wall is a white marble tablet with carving of a Holy Lamb, to the memory of Sophia Lydia, wife of Rev^d Henry Freeland, 24 years rector of the parish, and youngest daughter of Thos. Ruggles, Esq. of Finchingfield, Essex, who died Feb. 15, 1827, aged 30; and of her husband, who died Jan. 1, 1844, aged 48.

There are three memorial windows in the church; one in nave south wall to Edmund Jenney, Esq. of Hasketon and Bredfield, died July 14th, 1852, in his 85th year, and to Anne his sister, Decr. 14th, 1858, in her 90th year. The arms: (Erm.) a bend (Gu.) cotised (Or), Jenney, are shown on a shield and lozenge in the glass, the crest being: on a torse (Arg. and Sa.) a falcon proper standing on a gloved hand.

A brass plate beneath the east window states that it commemorates Thomas Maude, rector of the parish 1844-78, son of Thos. Maude of Burley, Yorkshire, and also Sibylla Jane his wife. A simple granite cross in the churchyard marks their grave, stating that he died Oct 1st.

1878, aged 74, and she April 5th, 1884, aged 75.

South of the chancel below a stained window a brass plate states that it is in memory of George Maude, brother of the above, who was born Oct. 15th, 1807, and died March 11th, 1868.

H. W. BIRCH.

(To be continued).

THE SHARPE FAMILY OF BURY ST. EDMUND'S. No. II.

(concluded from p. 275).

The eldest son, Simon (executor to his brother John), died unmarried in 1641. (Will at Bury, Muriell, 306). John, the second son, died in 1632, probably unmarried. His will, proved 21st December, 1632 (P.C.C. Audley, 125), bequeaths "unto the feoffees of the Towne lands of Bury St. Edmund aforesaid and theire successors for the use and benefitt of the poore of the saide Towne for ever the some of two hundred pounds of lawfull money of England to be by the said feoffees for the time beinge distributed, given and disposed in manner and forme following. That is to saie, out of the benefitt and profitt that shall yearely arise and growe by the well imployinge of the said two hundred pounds unto the Prisoners in the Towne Goale of Bury aforesaid the some of twenty shillings yearly at three severall times in the yeare, that is to say, Six shillings and eight pence at the feast of All Saintes, commonly called Hollowmas day; Six shillings and eight pence at the feast of the birth of our Lord God, commonly called Christmas; and Six shillings and eight pence at the feast of the purification of our Lady, commonly called Candlemas day. Item, to the prisoners of the country Goall in Bury aforesaid the sum of twenty shillings yearly, to be distributed to the poor prisoners there at the said daies and tymes, and in the like maner as is before specified." To the poor in Bridewell, Ten shillings yearly; and to the Spittle house, Ten shillings yearly at the same times. "Item, my will and meaning is the rest of the yearely profit coming and ariseinge of and from the aforesaid two hundred pounds be equallie devided into three severall porcons, and give yearly amongst the poore people of the North and East wards in Bury aforesaid at the said three feasts or daies before lymitted and appointed former gifts to be distributed."

Jasper, the third son, married Mary Gosnald (or Gosnold), a widow with several children. One of her daughters, Mary, was married to Richard Pepys, a collateral member of the diarist's family and subsequently Lord Chief Justice of Ireland. Jasper seems to have had one son, Jasper, who was at Bury School in 1616, at Caius College, Cambridge, in 1632, and entered at Gray's Inn in 1635. It is probable that he died between that year and 1653,* for he is not mentioned in his father's will, proved at Bury, 8th August, 1654 (Alchin, 506). After bequests to his wife's children and to his numerous nephews and nieces, Jasper leaves to his wife Mary a "tenement in Ancient Evidence called Le fforge, now called the Travers in the great market "in Bury," a malting-house in Garland Street, and twenty-seven acres of land in Drenstone [Drinkstone], with reversion after her death to his nephews. To the Corporation of Bury St. Edmund's, "£300 to buy land, the

^{*} Note from Bury Grammar School List, by S. H. A. H. "In the Hearth Tax Returns for 1674 is a Jasper Sharpe living in a house in Bury with only one hearth in it, and so poor as to be let off paying the tax. This looks as if he may have been disinherited, and ended his days in great poverty."

revenues to be applyed to catechising the poor children of St. Mary's parish, and distributing bread to them in like manner as has been done for St. James' Parish by the will of the late Mr. Edward Darby." The executors are Richard Pepys, Esq., and John Blemell, sons-in-law.

Jasper's widow died in 1667.

Roger Sharpe, born in 1569, married Grace, daughter of Sandwith and grand-daughter of Henry Wright, of Bury. He was in business as a maltster, and had twelve children: six sons and six daughters. The sons were: Amos (born 1599, died in infancy), Jasper (1600-1644), Roger (1611-1636), Robert (1613-1693), John (1619-1686), and Henry; the daughters: Grace (born 1603, married to Henry Spalding), Elizabeth (born 1605, married in 1629 to Christopher Sudbury), Joan (born 1608, married in 1629 to John Meddow), Margaret (born 1614, married in 1640 to Henry Medowes), Anne (born 1616, married to Thomas Jack in 1635), and Phœbe, who died unmarried in 1643.

Jasper married Mary, daughter of, and had three children: Jasper, Grace (born 1632), and Phœbe. The son Jasper was a woollen draper in Bury; married Anne, daughter of Thomas Pretyman, and died in 1663, leaving a daughter, Mary, who died in 1685. We find from his will (Heron, fol. 112) that the lands in Mildenhall, which he inherited from his grandfather, were mortgaged for £400 to his uncle John, and his interest in these lands he left to his father-in-law. Mrs. Anne Sharpe was subsequently married to

William Wilson of Bury.

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Roger Sharpe, sen., died in 1631 (will, Colman, fol. 7), and his widow, Grace, outlived him thirteen years. (Will, Meadowe, 171).

His son Roger died unmarried in 1636. The lands and tenements at Hessett, which came to him from his grandfather Jasper, he left to his mother for life, with remainder to his brother Henry; "to the poor people dwelling in the Eastgate streete from the gate westwards, 30s.; to the poor people in the Almes rowe dwellinge in the Garland street and to the poor people dwelling in the Risbigate street, other 30s. Legacies to brothers, nephews, and nieces. (Garnett, fol. 73).

Robert, the next son, married, 7th March, 1670, Mrs. Judith Smith. He left three daughters; his only son, Robert, having died in 1685. The daughters were: Isabella (born 1677), Susan (born 1681), and Mary, married to Gamaliel Sugden, an apothecary of Norwich. Robert was Alderman of Bury in 1663 and 1677 and a Justice of the Peace. He was buried in the churchyard at Bury, where the following inscription was placed over the grave:—

"Here lyeth the body of Robert Sharp, gent., who was a Justice of the Peace of this Borough nigh 40 years, who dyed the 17th day of February, 1693-4. And also his son, Robert Sharp, who dyed the

14th day of December, 1685."

John Sharpe, fifth son of Roger Sharpe, married Martin (sic), daughter of Martin Spensely (Alderman of Bury in 1684 and 1688-89). Like his brother Robert, John took a keen interest in the well-being

^{*} The will of Edward Darby, gent., was proved at the Prerogative Court of Canterbury in 1631. (St. John, 107).

of his native town, and served the Corporation in several capacities. In 1654 he was elected as one of the two Chamberlains for the year; in 1657 he was serving as a Burgess of the Common Council, and in 1662 he was elected a Chief Burgess. In his will he styles himself "clothier," and no doubt his business was an extensive one. There is extant a farthing token issued by him in 1666, inscribed as follows:—

Obverse. IOHN SHARPE. A woolpack. Reverse. IN BVREY. 1666. I.S.

He died 6th July, 1686, and was buried at St. Mary's, July 7th. His will was proved at Bury, 23rd August, 1686. (Godwin, pt. i., fol. 425). The lands at Mildenhall, mortgaged to him by his nephew Jasper, had evidently become his own property, for he bequeaths them to his grandson John, son of his second son, Martin. His widow died 19th October, 1691, leaving three sons: John, Martin, and Henry.

John Sharpe, junior, was a woolcomber in Bury. He was born in 1649, married Sarah [Burrough?], and died in 1722. His son, Burrough Sharpe, is described as a "perewigg maker" of Bury in 1732.

Martin, the second son of John Sharpe, senior, was sometime a draper in Bury. He married Sarah, daughter of John Challis, gent. (died 1680), of Bury (born 1658, died 1727). They had three sons and two daughters, Elizabeth and Mary. Elizabeth Sharpe was married to George Hammond, grocer, of Bury, and her sister became the wife of John Hayes, citizen and cooper, of the parish of St. Margaret Pattens, London. John, Martin's eldest son, was also a cooper in London, where he died in 1734, leaving a large fortune among his relatives. (Will, P.C.C., Ockham, 226). Robert, the second son, died 10th January, 1686, and was buried at Bury. youngest son, Martin, born in 1684, proceeded to Cambridge, and took his B.A. in 1706. In 1715 he was presented by the Crown to the living of Great Thurlow, Suffolk. He went up for his M.A. in 1716, and in 1728 married Anne, daughter of Giles Taylor of Depden (born 1703, died 1775). In 1733 he was presented by Sir Samuel Barnardiston, Bart., to the rectory of Barnardiston. There is in my possession a strip of parchment written by Martin Sharpe while at Great Thurlow, which is of some interest as showing how common the scourge of small pox was in the eighteenth century. as follows:-

1737.

Dec. 25. My son Robert had y' small px y' Day at y' heighth in a very favourable manner. D.G.

January 1st. My son Martin was seised with ye small pox.

Jan. 24. My wife and maid Servant were seised win ye same.

Jan. 3d. My Daughter Nanny was seised win ye same.

Jan. 3^d. My Daughter Nanny was seised wth y^e same.
 Jan^f 4th. My son Jacky was Seised with y^e same Disease.

Jan⁷ 18. They were all of them Recovered and restored to Health. Thanks be to Alm. God for y' great Blessing to Me and my Family. AMEN.

Mary Mattiams our Maid Servant, and Thomas Howard our Lad, had y' Small pox at y' same time, and did well too.

The Rev. Martin Sharpe died 20th January, 1760, and was buried at Great Thurlow, as was his wife, who died 16th January, 1775. Their eldest son, John, born at Little Thurlow 13th October. 1729, was at Bury School in 1741, and became a surgeon; died in 1764, and was buried at Great Thurlow. The daughter, Anna, born 15th December, 1731, married (1) Benjamin Beales, surgeon, and (2) Samuel Forlow, Alderman at Cambridge; she died in 1806. Martin, the next son, born 16th January, 1733, was a mercer in Bury St. Edmund's, where he died in April, 1808, being buried at Great Thurlow. The youngest son, Robert, born 18th October, 1735, married (1) Mary, who died in 1770, and (2) Anna Maria Pollett of Bradfield. Essex (1712-1784). He was in partnership with his brother Martin at Bury, and died in London, 22nd May, 1781, leaving three sons and a daughter, Anna Maria (born 1775), married to George Mallowes of Wattisfield, Suffolk. The sons were: Robert, Martin (born 1772, married a daughter of James Clifft of Barnham, near Euston), and John. The latter was born circa 1776, was educated at Bury School, and married, in 1805, Susan, daughter of John Bullen, Alderman of Cambridge. He settled in London, where he did a large business in Piccadilly as a publisher and bookseller. He died in 1863, and was buried at Redgrave, leaving only a daughter, Katherine, who was married to her cousin, Mark Bullen of Fen Drayton, Cambs. (born 1806, died 1839).

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CAMBRIDGESHIRE IN THE SIXTEENTH CENTURY. No. V.

Depositions in the Consistory Court of Ely, 1532—1539.
 (continued from p. 229).

[The deposition ends abruptly, and there is no more on the next page, but on page 5 there is what appears to be a continuation of this deposition. It has no heading. The leaf has evidently been misplaced in binding].

And the Thursday next before that said Thursday the said Annes dryed malt at the Kyll all the day tyll within nyghte, and Annes Lycores went to Seynt Neds that secunde Thursdaye before Christmas w'a quarter of barly and desirid Annes A Dane her masteres that Annes her daughter might goo with her, and she sayde that she shulde nott goo because they dree at Seynt Neds, and upon the thirde Thursday whiche was Seynt Nicholas yevyn the said Annes camnott at Seynt Neds, but taried at home abowte makyng of kaks and other necessary busyness, and John Underwode went thither with a combe of malt and brought it home agayne unsold, and John West and Annes Licores, and the next day after this deponent sold the said malte at Seynt Neds, where the said Annes and her

^{*} Suffered. There was an epidemic there. See note on p. 229.

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mother were, and John Whitchurche dranke with the sayd Annes the younger, but he harde no communication of matrimony between them.

Agnes Licores of Croxton, 22, saith on the first Thursday before Christmas this deponent and the said were together from xi of the clock of that day unto night in Annes Dane's house in Croxton, and in the morning she kept shepe.

John Underwode of Croxton, 18 years old, says that on the 1 and 2 Thursdays before Christmas "this deponent and the saide Annis were both continually together in the house and varde of Annes Adame her mother in Croxton, savyng the first Thursday the said Annes kept shepe in the filde till x or xj of the clock in her worke day apparell and cowde nott have been at Seynt Neds, but this

depondent should have knowen it." There are 3 miles between Croxton and S. Neots.

John West of Croxton, aged 20. On the 3rd Thursday her

mother wolde nott lett her goo to Seynt Neds.

Agnes Licores de Croxton, 22, answers to additional propositions. Ad primam positionem dicit quadem die dñica infra mensam proximam elapsam this deponent cam up into the chamber of Annes A Dame the younger circiter horam decimam post meridiem et invenit Henricum Corbett jacentem super lectum cujusdam Agnetis, tunica exuta, and there lave all the night by the said Annes, as she beliueth, for erly in the morning betweene 4 and 5 of the clock the said Annes and Henry came down together out of the chamber, the saide Annes Adame saying to Henry, "Come downe softly that my mother here us nott."

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John Underwode and John West are also examined on the additional propositions, and depose the same as Agnes Licores. These additional propositions look almost like a cross-examination. It seems rather unkind that the woman should be the first to "give away" the plaintiff; but there was not much of our modern ideas of delicacy in those days, and this may have been evidence for her case. Corbett, Underwode, and West evidently lived in the house with Agnes and

her mother].

Fo. 8.

Examination of witnesses of Henry Corbett in St. Mary's Church,

11 October, 1539.

Walter Huggyn, 50 years, says he was in the town called St. Nedes on the Thursday next before Christmas last, and when and where he saw Agnes Adane, and with her conversed from the 10th hour of said day until the 3rd in the Corn Market there, and she sold barley to a certain woman called Curtinay's wife, and in her house this deponent drank with the said Agnes.

John Parkyngton, 30 years, says that on Thursday before Christmas last past he was in the vilt of Croxton, and helped the said Agnes to place a sack of barley on her horse, which barley

she bore as far as he knows to Saynt Nedes.

Walter Burde, 40, says he was in the vilt of St. Nedes, when he saw Agnes A Dane on Thursday before Xmas last buying a pair of spurs from Edward Bull about 12 o'clock.

25 October, in house of Registrary.

Edward Bull, 25, says he sold Agnes A Dane the spurs.

Elizabeth Courtinay, 58, says she bought 4 qrs of barley from Agnes at St. Neot's on Thursday before Christmas, after which she and Walter Hogan came and drank at her house, and she heard them say, "We must go to the lyttster,* and Agnes say, "I must go by me a payr of Shoes."

Richard Paryn, 31, says he saw Agnes riding in St. Neds on that

day behind Wodeward's shepherd.

[Defamation].

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The answers of Margaret Blunt on the part of Richard and Joan

Bentley, in the Hall of Trinity College, 27th October, 1537.

She says that being provoked by Joan Bentley by scandalous words, she said to her, "Go thy wey thou noughty spurgald hoore as thou arte." And also being provoked by Richard Bentley saying to her, "Go thy wey nought as thou art," she answered him, "Go thou and sawe of thy hornys, and then tell me so."

John Hasyll of Bottisham, aged 28, 17th November. He says he was present in the hall of Thomas Balard when, amongst other conversation, he heard William Blunt saying these words in English, "Bentley is wife is a spurrgalde hore, and I know who hath spurre-

galded her, and I myself have meddled with her."

John Thompson of Bottisham, aged 26, has lived there for two years. He says that the above words were spoken in Thomas Balard's house on Sunday before the archdeacon's visitation at

Borow, at 1 p.m. that day.

John Hancock of Bottisham, husbandman, aged 40, says he heard Margaret Blunt calling Richard Bentley, "Coocoldy Knave," maliciously, because, as she said, Bentley had impounded some oxen belonging to William Blunt, her husband. This happened in the common way near the pound, on Saturday before Ely fair, at 7 o'clock in the morning.

Linton, Cambs.

(To be continued).

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QUERIES.

POPISH IMPLEMENTS AT NEWHALL, ESSEX, 1561.—In the Calendar of Domestic State Papers, vol. xvi., No. 50 (i.), is this:—

"Inventory of all such implements of superstition as were found in the chamber near Lady Wharton's bed chamber at Newhall, Essex, April 17th, 1561."

Has this inventory ever been printed? Number 49 in the same volume consists of the examinations of John Coxe alias Devon, who had celebrated mass at Newhall, and at Lady Waldegrave's house at Burley, Essex.

Linton, Cambs.

THINGOE HUNDRED AND THE EAST ANGLIAN "LEET."—In his Feudal England, Dr. Round devotes several pages (98—103) to discussing the East Anglian leet, and proves that the Suffolk "Hundred" was divided into "blocks" of equal assessment, each of which blocks was called a "leet." He quotes from a special survey executed about 1185 for Abbot Sampson of St. Edmundsbury, which gives the names of the twelve leets into which Thingoe Hundred was divided, thus (with the Domesday assessment of each "Vill." expressed in pence):—

IV. { Hengrave	1	81/2	IX. { Horningsheath X. { [Horringer] 20 [All Saints XI. } Sudbury, S. Gregory 60 XII. } S. Peter]	5	8 0
II. Risby	1	7 8	VII. Whapstead 20 VIII. { Hawstead 13\frac{1}{2}\text{ Newton [Nowton]} \frac{6\frac{1}{2}\text{ 20}}{20}	1	8 8
$I. \begin{cases} \text{Barrow} & & 7 \\ \text{Flemington} & 6 \\ \text{Lackford} & & 6 \end{cases}$	8.	d.	VI. { Brockley	8.	d.

Dr. Round remarks:—"Sudbury, it will be observed, was a quarter of the Hundred of Thingoe, just as Huntingdon was a quarter of a Hundred, and Wisbech a quarter of a Hundred"; and adds the following note: "Sudbury was an outlying portion of the Hundred of Thingoe, in which is situated Bury St. Edmund's, of which we read (Domesday Book, vol. ii., p. 372), 'quando in hundredo solvitur ad geldum, j. libra, tunc inde exeunt lxd ad victum monachorum." This substitution, apparently, of Sudbury (as three leets) for Bury St. Edmund's (of which the monks received the geld) deserves investigation."

Sudbury is now considered to be attached to Babergh Hundred. It would be interesting to know when Sudbury was substituted for Bury St. Edmund's under Thingoe Hundred, and also when Sudbury was detached from Thingoe Hundred and placed with Babergh Hundred. Can any reader elucidate these points?

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[Possibly in the twelfth century, when the Archdeaconry of Suffolk was divided into two.—Ed.].

ARCHDEACONRY OF SUDBURY. SUFFOLK.—Were the records (wills, administrations, marriage licences, etc.) of the Archdeaconry of Sudbury, West Suffolk, ever kept at Sudbury? They have long been kept at Bury St. Edmund's.

CHARLES PARTRIDGE.

[Previous to 1837, when an Order in Council added the western part of Suffolk to Ely Diocese, the records were deposited at Norwich.—Ed.].

^{*} Now no longer a separate parish .- C. P.

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